adventures , and hereupon the intent to attempt the high fort was frustrated Meanwhile the proceedings in Fayal were by Sir Gelly Memck related at large to the Lord General, and so aggravated and wrested into an evil sense by him, Sir Christopher Blount, Sir Anthony Shirley and others, by putting into my Lord of Essex's head that these parts were played by Sir Walter Ralegh only to steal honour and reputation from him, and to set his own frowardness to the view of the world Which intimation of theirs was an exception that they knew my Lord of Essex is very apt of his own disposition to take hold of, being a man that affecteth nothing in the world so much as fame, and to be reputed matchless for magnanimity and undertaking, and can hardly endure any that shall obscure his glory in this kind, though otherwise he favour them never so much It was besides alleged that the presumption and scorn to land such forces without my Lord's leave was not to be passed over without severe punishment, and a martial court fit to be called, to censure the offence and breach of order and discipline These and such other bitter arguments were used to aggravate the General's wrath against all that were in this action, and especially against the Rear-admiral, against whom they spared not so far to inveigh as that he was well worthy to lose his head for his labour So well did they persuade the General that all the forenoon was spent in reprehending and displacing the land officers that went in the action

Sir Walter was then sent for to answer before the Lord General in his ship, but before the messenger came for him was already gone in his barge to see my Lord, looking for great thanks

at the General's hands But when he was entered my Lord's cabin, after a faint welcome, my Lord began to challenge TITTH of breach of order and articles, in that he had knded troop without the General's presence or his order To which Sir Walter answered that there was an article that no captain should land anywhere without direction of the General or other principal commander, but that he himself was a principal commander and therefore not subject to that article, nor under the power of the law martial, because a successive commander of the fleet nnder her Majesty's letters patent

Tliis dispute lasted some half hour and then the Lord General